

5 April 1987
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Jordan Bureau--March 1987

I. GENERAL

The visit to Jordan of former U.S. President Jimmy Carter from 23 to 26 March, and earlier visits by congressional level delegations, were the mission's focus of attention during the month. As we did for the visit last fall of Vice President Bush, the bureau provided technical assistance and equipment support for the media/communications aspects of the visit.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Editorial/Monitorial

1. On 29 March, the bureau assumed coverage of the left-leaning UAE daily Al-Shariqah AL-KHALIJ. This had been one of the few productive sources formerly covered by Gulf Bureau that we had been unable to pick up, owing to non-receipt of the paper in Jordan. We are at a loss to explain why it is now available. Several items on the American hostages in Lebanon have already been filed.

B. Lateral Services

1. During the month the bureau responded to the following requests from local embassy consumers:

--Provided the ambassador with a translation of the 27 February Amman AL-DUSTUR editorial on the trial of suspected Nazi war criminal Demjanjuk in Israel, as well as a photocopy of the original Arabic version. This editorial, which was even more vituperative than the standard anti-Israeli comment usually appearing in the Jordanian media, occasioned a diplomatic exchange through the embassies in Amman and Tel Aviv.

--Supplied USIS with seven English-language videocassettes of the Amman Television Service 2200 GMT newscasts for a special in-house project.

--Provided embassy political section a specially prepared round-up from AG Mideast Branch on Arab reaction to the Pollard affair. AG's timely cooperation was greatly appreciated by the political counselor, as well as the bureau.

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III. ADMINISTRATION

A. New monitor-trainee [redacted] EOD'd on 15 March,
as an FBN-7/1, bringing the bureau monitorial staff up to its
full strength of 15.

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B. The following local bureau employees received PSI's dur-
ing the month: Monitor-Supervisor [redacted] to FBN-11/3;
Communications Supervisor [redacted] to FBN-7/10; and Associate
Editor [redacted] to FBN-10/5.

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Chief, Jordan Bureau

ATT: Monthly Production Report

Amman Bureau Production Report for March 1987

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	317440
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	71030
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	876

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: (minutes or issues per week)	7250.00 min.	19260.00 min.	165.00 issues
III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES: (publishable words per month)			

BAHRAIN

Manama WAKH in Arabic	9950
Manama WAKH in English	820

EGYPT

Cairo AKHBAR AL-YAWM in Arabic	0
Cairo AL-AHALI in Arabic	1170
Cairo AL-AHRAM in Arabic	10370
Cairo AL-AKHBAR in Arabic	8570
Cairo AL-JUMHURIYAH in Arabic	6290
Cairo AL-MUSAWWAR in Arabic	7150
Cairo ROSE AL-YUSUF in Arabic	900
Cairo UKTUBAR in Arabic	1130

FRANCE

Paris Radio Monte Carlo in Arabic	8680
Paris AL-MUSTAQBAL in Arabic	0
Paris AL-WATTAN AL-'ARABI in Arabic	3800

IRAQ

Baghdad Domestic Service in Arabic	3490
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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Baghdad Voice of the Masses in Arabic	26650		
Baghdad Voice of the PLO in Arabic	9770		
Baghdad INA in Arabic		13450	
Baghdad INA in English		270	
Baghdad AL-JUMHURIYAH in Arabic			0
Baghdad AL-THAWRAH in Arabic			0
ISRAEL			
Jerusalem Jerusalem in Arabic to the Arab World	10450		
JORDAN			
Amman Domestic Service in Arabic	14090		
Amman Domestic Service in English	600		
Amman Television Service in Arabic	2280		
Amman Television Service in English	460		
Amman Petra-JNA in Arabic		4580	
Amman AKHBAR AL-USBU' in Arabic			0
Amman AL-DUSTUR in Arabic			12860
Amman AL-RA'Y in Arabic			5300
Amman JORDAN TIMES in English			2530
Amman SAWT AL-SHA'B in Arabic			3170
Amman THE JERUSALEM STAR in English			0
KUWAIT			
Kuwait AL-ANBA' in Arabic			14230
Kuwait AL-QABAS in Arabic			19870
Kuwait AL-RA'Y AL-'AMM in Arabic			2580

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
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Kuwait AL-SIYASAH in Arabic			1640
Kuwait KUWAIT TIMES in English			1120

LEBANON Marj 'Uyun Lebanon Voice of Hope in Arabic	0		
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OMAN Muscat Domestic Service in Arabic	2180		
Muscat ONA in Arabic		0	
Muscat 'UMAN in Arabic			0
Muscat OMAN DAILY OBSERVER in Arabic			0

QATAR Doha QNA in Arabic		4800	
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SAUDI ARABIA Riyadh AL-DAMMAM AL-YAWM in Arabic			0
Riyadh AL-JAZIRAH in Arabic			0
Riyadh AL-RIYADH in Arabic			0
Jeddah 'UKAZ in Arabic			0
Jeddah SAUDI GAZETTE in English			0

SUDAN Khartoum KUNA in English to KUNA Kuwait		0	
Khartoum SUNA in Arabic		14620	
Khartoum SUNA in English		6700	

SYRIA Damascus Domestic Service in Arabic	24580		
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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Damascus Television Service in Arabic	3190		
Damascus SANA in Arabic		1200	
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES			
Abu Dhabi WAM in Arabic		1230	
Abu Dhabi AL-ITTIHAD AL-USBU'I in Arabic			2380
Abu Dhabi AL-ITTIHAD in Arabic			12970
Al-Shariqah AL-KHALIJ in Arabic			1540
Dubayy AL-BAYAN in Arabic			5300
YEMEN			
Sanaa Domestic Service in Arabic	16490		
Sanaa Voice of Palestine in Arabic	12040		